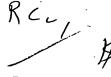


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Application No.: 09/470,236

Filed: November 15, 1999

Title: PLASMA PROCESSING SYSTEM WITH

DYNAMIC GAS DISTRIBUTION CONTROL

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<u>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)</u> <u>UNDER 37 CFR §1.114</u>

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

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- c. Enclosed is our Check No. 16670 in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the RCE fee, and/or extension of time fees.
- d. The Director is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. LAM1P123)
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